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[0037] This subject invention is a protective shield for protecting indwelling medical devices, during showering, bathing, or swimming. This protective shield ^{includes} ~~comprises~~ an inner bag having an opening containing by a medical grade absorbent material, where the opening is surrounded by a medical grade adhesive for attachment to a patient's skin. The medical device is inserted into the bag through the absorbent material. This bag is covered by an attached outer cover, which has an adhesive material applied along its peripheral edge or attachment to the patient, which diverts the flow of fluid away from the opening of the inner bag. The absorbent material in opening of the inner bag traps and hold fluid penetrating the two adhesive barriers affording additional level of protection in preventing fluid from reaching the inside of the pouch.

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